The following section features attorneys who have demonstrated leadership qualities and have achieved the AV Preeminent rating by Martindale-Hubbell®.

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Brett R. Wishart

For Brett Wishart, there was never any doubt about his career path. The son of Barry J. Wishart, a prominent attorney who has practiced family law in Orange County since 1981, Brett grew up witnessing firsthand how his father helped clients overcome some of life’s most difficult challenges.

“What I love about practicing family law is that I get to help families. While I can’t save their marriages, I can calm their fears and improve the quality of their lives by helping them make good decisions that have a lasting impact on their families.”

In only a decade of practicing law, Wishart has emerged as one of Orange County’s top attorneys in family law. His peers have rated him AV® Preeminent (the highest possible rating) in the prestigious Martindale-Hubbell attorney ratings guide, he has a “10” out of “10” “Excellent” attorney rating on AVVO.com, and he was named one of the “10 Best” attorneys in California for “client satisfaction” in 2014, 2015 and 2016 by the American Institute of Family Law Attorneys.

“My clients tell me they appreciate that I really listen to them, I do what I say, and I don’t promise things I can’t deliver,” says Wishart, who credits his highly experienced and dedicated staff as a key to his firm’s success.

“Clients are never just a number to me. They know I really care and that I work really hard for them. I come into court prepared and thoroughly knowing my argument. I also believe in being civil with opposing counsel. It’s a key reason why I settle most of my cases, which is what most clients want because litigating is such an emotional process. But, when I’m convinced my client will get a better deal from the judge, I won’t hesitate to litigate.”

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Jersey M. Green, Esq., is a shareholder with Preeo Silverman Green & Egle, P.C. in suburban Denver, Colorado and an accomplished family law trial lawyer with more than three decades of experience. In 2015, he became Colorado’s first board certified family law trial advocate by the National Board of Trial Advocacy, an organization accredited by the American Bar Association. He was selected for an American Institute of Family Law Attorneys “10 Best” list based on client satisfaction for 2015-2016, holds a 10.0 Superb rating with Avvo, holds an AV Preeminent rating with Martindale-Hubbell, and in 2013 also received the prestigious Martindale-Hubbell Client Achievement Award, again based on client satisfaction. Less than one percent of the 900,000 attorneys listed by Martindale-Hubbell have received the award. His practice attracts high net worth individuals seeking representation in complex divorce and post-divorce matters. He is a national speaker on the subject of drafting effective pre-nuptial agreements.

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The Gucciardo Law Firm provides families and couples legal representation commensurate with a large firm but with the accessibility and responsiveness of a small firm. Renée K. Gucciardo has always been passionate about families and their legal needs, so 14 years ago she founded The Gucciardo Law Firm to guide families through the emotional and legal difficulties of divorce. “We understand how important trust is when a client places the lives of themselves and their families in our hands,” Gucciardo says.

Included on this year’s list of Super Lawyers, Renée understands that open and honest communication is key to a successful attorney-client relationship. “We ensure that we are compassionate about the overwhelming stress that clients may experience during a divorce,” she says.

The Gucciardo Law Firm provides trial and appellate court representation in family law, throughout Oakland, Macomb and Wayne counties.

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